

ABSOLUTE RATING: Average

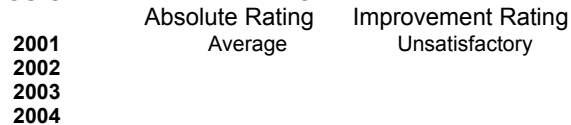
IMPROVEMENT RATING: Unsatisfactory

Number of Elementary schools with students like ours: 112.

The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from unsatisfactory to excellent.

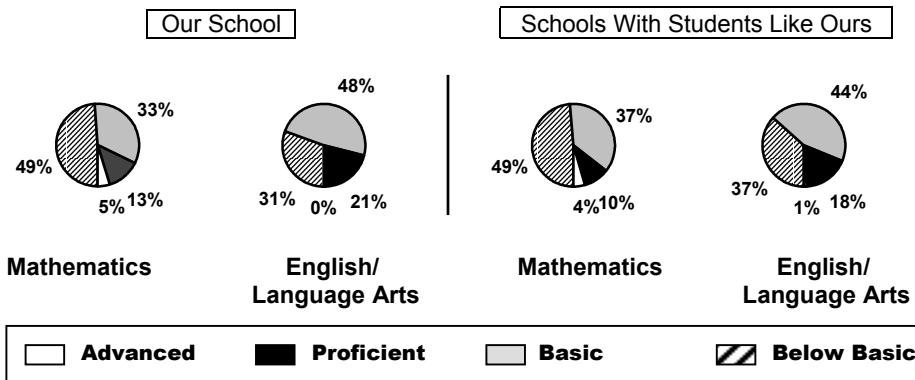
For improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to excellent.

RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD



(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TESTS (PACT) RESULTS



DEFINITIONS OF CRITICAL TERMS:

- Advanced** – Student performance exceeded expectations.
- Proficient** – Student performance met expectations.
- Basic** – Student performance met minimum performance expectations.
- Below Basic** – Student performance did not meet minimum performance expectations.

Science scores are to be reported on the 2004 School Report Card. Social studies scores are to be reported on the 2005 School Report Card.

PERCENT OF STUDENTS SCORING BASIC OR ABOVE ON THE PACT				
Student Group	English/ Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies
All students (n=147)	69.4	51	N/A	N/A
Students with disabilities other than Speech (n=6)	N/A	N/A		
Students without disabilities (n=139)	72.7	54.3		
Gender				
Male (n=69)	62.3	39.1		
Female (n=76)	77.6	63.2		
Ethnic Group				
African American (n=141)	69.5	51.1		
Hispanic (n=N/A)	N/A	N/A		
White (n=4)	N/A	N/A		
Other (n=N/A)	N/A	N/A		
Lunch Status Group				
Free/reduced-price Lunch (n=131)	69.5	49.6		
Pay for lunch (n=14)	N/A	N/A		

SCHOOL PROFILE

INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Elementary School
SCHOOL				
• Dollars spent per student	\$5,986	N/A	\$6,062	\$5,347
• Prime instructional time	91.5%	Down from 92%	89.6%	90.2%
• Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	16.8 to 1	N/A	16.9 to 1	18.7 to 1
STUDENTS (n=332)				
• Attendance Rate	97.9%	No change	96.1%	96.2%
• Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (ELA) off grade level	4.1%	N/A	7.4%	4.1%
• Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (math) off grade level	3.4%	N/A	6.6%	3.1%
• First graders who attended full day kindergarten	95.7%	Up from 95.3%	98.3%	96.3%
• Meeting grade 1 and 2 readiness standards	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
• Retention rate	0.5%	Up from 0%	5.8%	3.6%
TEACHERS (n=24)				
• Professional Development days per teacher	5 Days	Down from 7.6	7.3 Days	7.6 days
• Attendance Rate	94.8%	Down from 95.4%	95%	95.1%
• Teachers with advanced degrees	45.8%	No change	44.3%	47.7%
• Continuing contract teachers	91.7%	Up from 87.5%	77.7%	83.8%
• Teachers with out-of-field permits	4.2%	No change	2.9%	0.0%
• Teachers returning from the previous school year	91%	Down from 92.4%	81.5%	87.2%
• Average teacher salary	\$37,077	Up 7.4%	\$36,115	\$37,520

SCHOOL FACTS

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Elementary School
SCHOOL				
• Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries	62.6%	N/A	64%	65.3%
• Principal's years at the school	5	N/A	4	4.0
• Parents attending conferences	97.9%	N/A	87.4%	95.6%
• Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Good	Good
STUDENTS				
• On academic plans	N/A	N/A	64.2%	43.1%
• On academic probation	N/A	N/A	0%	0.0%
• Older than usual for grade	N/A	N/A	2.1%	1.1%
• Suspended or expelled	0	N/A	2	1
• Gifted and talented	6%	Up from 0.6%	5%	11.5%
• With disabilities other than speech	7.1%	Up from 4.1%	9%	8.4%



PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

The 2000-01 school year at Vance-Providence Elementary was a very successful year. Vance-Providence Elementary School is located in a rural setting in Orangeburg County and has a free/reduced lunch percentage of 92 percent. Because of this rural setting, students do not have the same educational opportunities as students in other regions of the state. At Vance-Providence Elementary, we do not let our rural setting be a barrier to student achievement. We set high standards and have high expectations for success. Our PACT scores for students scoring below basic during the spring of '99 and spring of '00 showed improvement.

For the second consecutive year, Vance-Providence Elementary met the improvement criteria for Title I. In addition, Vance-Providence Elementary was the recipient of an environmental grant from Georgia Pacific for our nature trail. Our lunch buddies program brought in community groups and agencies that provided support and guidance for our students in all of their endeavors. Our career day gave students the opportunity to observe and ask questions of representatives from various walks of life and to gain a perspective of the type of work they might pursue.

Students at Vance-Providence Elementary were recognized for their artistic talent at the local and state levels. Two students had their art work displayed at the South Carolina Wildlife Exposition in Charleston, S.C. The Jaguar dancers, composed of female students in grades 3-5, performed at various programs in the county and helped to develop their self confidence.

Our teachers made a great effort to meet the diverse needs of all students while at the same time improved their own professional skills. Five staff members earned a master's degree and eight faculty members applied for National Teacher Certification. To insure the quality of the instructional program, teachers are monitored on a weekly basis by the school administration as well as district teacher support team members.

Although Vance-Providence Elementary is located in a rural setting, we are blessed with a supportive business community, a committed clergy and parents who stress the importance of a quality education program. As our motto states, "The Best Is What We're All About."

James R. Myers

EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	95.7	92.1	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	95.7	97.4	
Satisfied with home-school relations	60.9	94.7	

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Unsatisfactory – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

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Vance-Providence Elementary
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Grades K-5 Elementary School

Enrollment: 332 Students

Principal

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Board Chair

Samuel B. Marshall 803-496-3716

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual School
Report Card

2001



School Grade:
Below Average

South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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